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UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL (37 CFR. § 1.53(b))

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This is a request for filing a patent application under 37 CFR. § 1.53(b) in the name of inventors:  
**Koichi OTSUKI**

**PRINTING UP TO EDGES OF PRINTING PAPER WITHOUT PLATEN SOILING**

Assigned to: Seiko Epson Corporation

Application Elements:

- ☒ 102 Pages of Specification, Claims and Abstract
- ☒ 42 Sheets of formal Drawings
- ☐ Pages Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney

Accompanying Application Parts:

- ☐ Do not publish this application. Nonpublication Request is attached.
- ☐ Assignment and Assignment Recordation Cover Sheet (recording fee of \$40.00 enclosed)
- ☐ 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement by Assignee
- ☐ Information Disclosure Statement with Form PTO-1449
- ☐ Copies of IDS Citations
- ☐ Preliminary Amendment
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Claim For Foreign Priority

☒ Priority of Japanese Application No. 2000-294172 filed on September 27, 2000, Japanese Application No. 2000-294074 filed on September 27, 2000 and Japanese Application No. 2000-294142 filed on September 27, 2000 is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119.

☐ The certified copy has been filed in prior application U.S. Application No.

☒ The certified copies are enclosed.

General Authorization for Petition for Extension of Time (37 CFR §1.136)

☒ Applicants hereby make and generally authorize any Petitions for Extensions of Time as may be needed for any subsequent filings. The Commissioner is also authorized to charge any extension fees under 37 CFR §1.17 as may be needed to Deposit Account No. 500388 (Order No. MES1P047).

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